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May 15, 2007

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

LAC+USC MEDICAL CENTER REPLACEMENT PROJECT APPROVAL OF CONSTRUCTION CHANGE ORDER CONTRACT PW-12641; MCCARTHY/CLARK/HUNT, A JOINT VENTURE SPECS. 6550; C.P. 70787 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1 4 VOTES

JOINT RECOMMENDATION WITH THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER THAT YOUR BOARD:

Approve and authorize the Director of Public Works to execute change orders to complete the previously approved revised retaining walls on the north side of the Diagnostic and Treatment building and northwest of the Inpatient Tower building for an additional \$394,024 not-to-exceed aggregate amount.

REASON AND SCOPE – RECOMMENDATION

Unforeseen condition	Regulatory agency requirement	
Drawing coordination	Previously approved scope change	
Contract supplement	Errors and omissions	\boxtimes

On October 3, 2006, your Board approved the issuance of two change orders, one for \$320,000 for revisions to the retaining walls in the courtyard north of the Diagnostic and

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Treatment building and another change order for \$400,000 for revisions to a new circular wall northwest of the Inpatient Tower building. At that time, we indicated that cost negotiations for these changes had not been finalized; and if the final value exceeded the cost estimate, we would return to your Board for approval.

During the cost negotiation with the contractor, it was determined that the increase in the footing depths required additional excavation to comply with safety requirements for the workers forming and installing the footings. Additionally, the process of preparing revised details and obtaining Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development approval resulted in schedule impacts of approximately two months. In order to mitigate this impact, the contractor was directed to accelerate the work to avoid impacting completion of the balance of the site work. Both factors contributed to the cost increase.

Public Works completed the cost negotiation and issued nine proceed orders totaling \$720,000 for portions of these change orders to avoid delay impact. Approving the recommended action will allow the contractor to complete the remaining work on the retaining walls.

We have reviewed the above recommendations, as well as the potential cost impact, with the Project Advisory Committee. There is sufficient appropriation available in the Fiscal Year 2006-07 Capital Projects Budget (C.P. 70787) to fund this action. This change order is considered to be within the scope of the project.

CONCLUSION

Please return an adopted copy of this letter to the Chief Administrative Office (Capital Projects Division) and Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. W

Director of Public Works

Chief Administrative Officer

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cc: County Counsel

Department of Health Services (Fred Leaf)

Project Advisory Committee (A. Redmond Doms, Jerry Epstein, Nick Patsaouras)